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### THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED December 31, 2006

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board Leesville, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board as of and for the year then ended December 31, 2006, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued a report dated May 23, 2007, on my consideration of the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis pages 3 through 7 and the budgetary comparison information (Schedule 1) on page are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquires of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Elliott+ASC. "APAC"
Leesville, Louisiana

May 23, 2007

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION PART 1

#### Management's Discussion and Analysis

Our discussion and analysis of the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board financial performance provides an overview to the Board's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2006. Please read in conjunction with The Board's basic financial statements which began on page 9.

#### Financial Highlights

- \*The Board's total net assets increased by \$5,911 during the year ended December 31, 2006. The increase in net assets is attributable to a 30% increase in operating expenses offset by a 16% increase in total revenues.
- \*There was also an increase of \$5,911 in unrestricted net assets. Unrestricted net assets are those assets available to meet the day to day operating needs of the Board.

#### **Using This Annual Report**

This annual reports consists of Management's Discussion and Analysis, the basic financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. Management's Discussion and Analysis provides a narrative of the Board's financial performance and activities for the year ended December 31, 2006. The basic financial statements provide readers with a broad overview of the Board's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

#### Reporting the Board as a Whole

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Board's net assets and changes in them. The Board's net assets, the difference between assets and liabilities, measure the Board's financial position. The increases or decreases in the Board's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating.

Currently, Board has only governmental activities that provide for personnel, equipment, supplies, and other cost related to the proper administration of the Indigent Defender Board. Primarily, court cost, fees, grants, and interest finance these activities.

#### Financial Analysis of the Board as a Whole

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Board, not the court as a whole. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measure only cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Board's operations and the services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine the amount of financial resources available to be spent in the near future to finance the Board's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and the governmental funds are shown in a reconciliation following the fund financial statements.

A summary of net assets is presented on the next page.

### THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD

#### December 31, 2006 Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### Table 1 Net Assets

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	%Change
Current Assets Capital Assets, net of depreciation	\$ 143,985     \$ 	137,271	5% %
Total Assets	143,985	137,271	5%
Current Liabilities Noncurrent Liabilities	821 ——	18 	4,462% ———
Total Liabilities	821	18	<u>4,462%</u>
Invested in capital assets Unrestricted net assets	143,164	137,253	% <u>5%</u>
Total Net Assets	143,164	137,253	<u>5%</u>

Invested in capital assets represent the Board's long-term investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and is not available for current operations.

A summary of changes in net assets is presented below for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005: Table 2

#### Changes in Net Assets

	Year ended December 31			
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	% Change	
Operating revenues				
(charges for services, leases and other)	\$ 345,224	\$304,570	14%	
Non-operating revenues	,	•		
(government subsidies and interest income)	<u> 57,481</u>	<u>44,556</u>	<u>29%</u>	
Total Revenues	402,705	<u>349,126</u>	<u>16%</u>	
Operating expenses:				
Depreciation				
•	206.704	205.000	200/	
Other operating expenses	<u>396,794</u>	<u>305,909</u>	_30%_	
Total Expenses	396,794	305,909	_30%	
Total Daponoco		305,505	_3070	
Increase (Decrease) in net assets	\$ <u>5,911</u>	\$ 43,217	(87%)	
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#### THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD December 31, 2006

Management's Discussion and Analysis

#### **Capital Assets**

At December 31, 2006 and 2005, the Board had \$0 and \$0 respectively, invested in capital assets, at net value after depreciation. There was \$0 in additions during the year ended December 31, 2006.

#### Debt

The Board has no debt.

#### General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Thirtieth Judicial District Court Indigent Defender Board adopted a budget for its Combined Indigent Defender Board for the year ended December 31, 2006. There was one adjustment made to the budget during the year. The Thirtieth Judicial District Court's Indigent Defender Board budgetary comparison is presented as required supplementary information and shown on page 24.

#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget**

The Thirtieth Judicial District Court Board's Indigent Defender Board elected officials considered the following factors and indicators when setting next year's budget, rates, and fees. These factors and indicators include:

- 1) Court costs and fees
- 2) Intergovernmental revenues (state and local grants)
- 3) Personal services expenses
- 4) Operating services expenses

The Thirtieth Judicial District Court Indigent Defender Board does not expect any significant changes in next year's results as compared to the current year.

#### Contacting the Court's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers with a general overview of the Board's finances and to show the Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Jeff Skidmore, Court Administrator, at Court at 215 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Leesville, LA 71446

**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

Government-Wide Financial Statements

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD

#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

December 31, 2006

#### **ASSETS**

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	<del></del>
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 117,448
Receivables	<u> 26,537</u>
Total assets	_143,985
LIABILITIES	
Payroll taxes payable	\$ <u>821</u>
Total liabilities	\$ <u>821</u>
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted	\$ — 
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 143,164</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

## Statement of Activities For the Year ended December 31, 2006

	Program Revenues					Net (Expenses) Revenues and Change In Net Assets		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operatir Grants a Contribu	nd	Capital Gra		Governmental Activities	
Governmental Activities:		·						
General Government Public Safety	\$ 396,894	\$345,224	\$56,389	\$ 	<u> </u>	_	4,719 ————	
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 396,894	\$345,224	\$56,389	\$		<u>\$</u>	4,719	
	General Reven	ues:						
	Interest Income Total General I						1,092 1,092	
	Change in	Net Assets					5,811	
		ginning, January 1 ling, December 31					137,353 143,164	

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

#### Balance Sheet — Governmental Fund December 31, 2006

	General Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables, net	\$ 117,448 26,537
Total Assets	<u>\$ 143,985</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
Liabilities: Payroll taxes payable	\$ 821
Total Liabilities	821
Fund Balance: General Fund - unrestricted	143,164
Total Fund Balance	143,164
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 143,985

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet
To the Statement of Net Assets
December 31, 2006.

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets ar	e differe	ent because:
Total Fund Balance for Governmental Fund (Statement C)	\$	143,164
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the government funds.  Those assets consist of:		
Furniture, fixture and equipment, net of \$711 in accumulated depreciation		
Total Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Statement A)	<u>\$</u>	143,164

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the year ended December 31, 2006

OPERATING REVENUES	
District court fees	\$ 284,469
City court revenues	60,755
Total Operating Revenues	<u>\$ 345,224</u>
OPERATING EXPENSE	
Current:	
Accounting fees	2,050
Office supplies	1,381
Online library costs	8,310
Other professional fees	17,138
Miscellaneous	519
Contract labor	345,176
Salaries and related benefits	22,220
Total operating expenses	\$ 396,79 <u>4</u>
Operating income (loss)	<b>\$</b> (51,570)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	
La Indigent Defense fund and miscellaneous	19,749
Indigent and bond premium fees	36,640
Interest income	1,092
Total non-operating revenues	<u>\$ 57,481</u>
Net Increase in net assets	\$ 5,911
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>\$137,253</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$143,164</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

#### Statement F

### THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds

To the Statement of Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2006

Total Net Change in Fund Balances at December 31, 2006, per Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance \$ 5,911 The Change in Net Assets reported for Governmental Activities In the Statement of Activities is different because: ADD: Capital Outlay cost which are considered expenditures on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, 0 LESS: Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2006 0 Change in Net Assets reported for Governmental Activities 5,911

Government funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeds depreciation in the current period. in the Statement of Activities is different because:

For the year ended December 31, 2006

#### INTRODUCTION

The Thirtieth Judicial District Indigent Defender Board was established in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statues 15:144-149 to provide and compensate counsel appointed to represent indigents in criminal and quasi-criminal cases on the district court level. The judicial district encompasses the parish of Vernon, Louisiana, and is composed of three attorneys appointed by the thirtieth judicial district judges.

The board members are not compensated for their services as a board member, but do receive the same compensation as other attorneys for providing legal representation to indigent people who have been criminally charged with a crime. There are two Indigent Defender Board employees who handle accounting and administrative matters for the Board on a part-time basis.

In April of 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles and reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local governmental entities. In November 1984, the GASB issued a codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. This codification is recognized as generally accepted accounting principles for state and local government.

For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Codification Sections 2100, the Indigent Defender Board is a part of the district court system of the State of Louisiana. However, the board operates autonomously from the State of Louisiana and independently from the district court system. Therefore, the board reports as an independent reporting entity.

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Basis of Presentation

In June, 1999, the GASB unanimously approved Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments. Certain of the significant changes in the presentation of its funds financial information include, for the first time a Management Discussion and Analysis (MD & A) section providing an analysis of the Judicial Indigent Defender Board's overall financial position and results of operations and financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all Judicial Indigent Defender Board's activities. These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements including the notes to the financial statements. The Judicial Indigent Defender Board has elected to implement the general

For the year ended December 31, 2006

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

provisions of the Statement in the current year and plans to retroactively report capital assets acquired prior to July 1, 2003.

This report includes funds which are controlled by the Thirtieth Judicial Indigent Defender Board but determined to be a component unit of the Vernon Parish. The Vernon Parish has significant control over the Indigent Defender Board in the area of necessary capital outlays and salary administration. The parish would present this component unit in a discreet presentation format if it were included in their financial statements. The funds are administered by the Board Administrator.

#### B. Basic Financial Statements

Government-wide financial statements - The statement of net assets and statement of activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange revenues.

Fund Financial Statements. The financial transactions of the Judicial Indigent Defender Board are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by a separated set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures.

The funds of the Judicial Indigent Defender Board are described as follows:

General Fund - The general fund is the general operating fund and accounts for all activities of the Judicial Indigent Defender Board except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

For the year ended December 31, 2006

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### C. Measurement Focus

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, and financial position. All assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with their activities are reported. All governmental funds utilize a current financial resources measurement focus in the fund financial statements. Only current assets and liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. Operating statements present sources and used of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of measurement focus applied. The government-wide financial statements are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred or economic assets are used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when "measurable and available". Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

#### E. Budgets

The Board Administrator prepares a propose budget for the fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The board, in banc, approve the budget. Due to the uncertainties of the budgeting, the board is involved in the transfer of funds from one program of function to another or for increased expenditures resulting from revenues exceeding amounts estimated. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

For the year ended December 31, 2006

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits. The Fund includes amounts in time deposits and investments with original maturities of 90 days or less as cash equivalents. Under state law, the Fund may deposit funs in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States. In addition, local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management pool, Inc. (LAMP), a non-profit corporation formed by an initiative of the State Treasurer and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, which operates a local government investment pool.

#### G. <u>Investments</u>

Under state law the fund may invest in United States bonds, treasury note, or certificates. There are classified as investments if their original maturities exceed three months. Under this interpretation, the fund has no investments.

#### H. Capital Assets

In the government-wide financial statements, capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$1,000, or more are reported at historical costs. Additions, improvements, and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Computer equipment, including software 5 years
Other office equipment 5 years
Furniture and fixtures 7-10 years

In the fund financial statements, fixed assets are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the fund upon acquisition.

For the year ended December 31, 2006

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### I. Compensated Absences

The Fund has the following policy to vacation and sick leave. Employees of the Fund receive ten days of noncumulative vacation leave each year. Sick leave is granted at the discretion of the Board and is also noncumulative. At December 31, 2006, the Fund does not have accumulated and vested benefits related to vacation and sick leave. The cost of leave privileges is recognized ad current-year expenditure when the leave is actually taken.

#### 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2006, the Thirtieth Judicial District IDB has \$127,725 in deposits (collected bank balances) and \$117,448 in book balance. These deposits are secured by FDIC insurance.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of the Thirtieth Judicial District IDB capital assets at December 31, 2006 follows:

Governmental Activities	: <u>12/</u>	31/05	Additions	Deductions	12/31/06
Capital assets, being					
depreciated					
Equipment	\$	711			<u>\$ 711</u>
Total capital assets,					
being depreciated	\$	711			<u>\$ 711</u>
Less accumulated					
depreciation for					
Equipment	\$(	711)			<u> \$( 711)</u>
Total accumulated					
Depreciation	\$(	711)			<u>\$(_711)</u>
Total Capital assets					
being depreciated,					
net	\$				<u> </u>

There was zero depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT EXPENSE FUND

Vernon Parish, Louisiana Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

#### SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S REPORTS

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT:

I have audited the basic financial statements of the Thirtieth Judicial District IDB Fund, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, and have issued my report thereon dated May 23, 2007. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. My audit of the basic financial statements as of December 31, 2006, resulted in the an unqualified opinion.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE MATERIAL TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

#### **Compliance Material to Financial Statements**

	YES	NO
Compliance		
Internal Control		
Material Weaknesses		
Other Conditions	Yes	No
Federal Awards		
Not applicable	<del></del>	5-7
Identification of Major Programs		$\boxtimes$
No major programs identified		$\boxtimes$
		$\boxtimes$
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS:		
None.		
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PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS:

No matters were reported.

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances-Budget and Actual General Fund (and all major governmental funds)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

±	Budgeted Amounts	Budget to Actual			
	Original	Final	_Actual	Positive (Negative)	
Operating Revenues:					
District Court	\$ 240,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 284,469	\$ 9,469	
City Court	<u>67,000</u>	<u>67,000</u>	<u>60,755</u>	(6,245)	
Total operating					
revenue	<u>\$ 307,000</u>	<u>\$ 342,000</u>	<u>\$ 345,224</u>	<u>\$ 3,224</u>	
Operating Expenditure	S:				
Accounting	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,050	\$ (550)	
Office supplies	1,100	1,100	1,381	(281)	
Online library	8,100	8,100	8,310	(210)	
Other prof fees	8,500	16,000	17,138	(1,138)	
Miscellaneous	400	400	519	(119)	
Salaries/benefits	20,500	22,500	22,220	280	
Contract labor	270,000	343,000	<u>345,176</u>	(2,176)	
Total					
Expenditures	\$ 310,100	\$ 392,600	<u>\$ 396,794</u>	<u>\$ (4,194)</u>	
La. Indigent Defense F	und				
and miscellaneous	\$ 13,500	\$ 18,500	\$ 19,749	\$ 1,249	
Indigent and bond pren	nium fees 31,000	35,000	36,640	1,640	
Interest income	200	1,000	1,092	<u>92</u>	
Total Non-Operating					
Revenues	<u>\$ 44,700</u>	\$ 54,500	<u>\$ 57,481</u>	<u>\$ 2,981</u>	
Excess of Revenues ov Expenditures	er \$ 41,600	\$ 3,900	\$ 5,911	2,011	
Fund Balance - Beginn of Year	ing \$ 137,253	\$ 137,253	<u>\$137,253</u>	<u>\$</u>	
Fund Balance - End of	Year <u>\$178,853</u>	<u>\$ 141,153</u>	<u>\$ 143,164</u>	<u>\$ 2,011</u>	

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Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting Based on an Audit of Basic Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* 

The Thirtieth District Judicial Indigent Defender Board Leesville, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of the The Thirtieth District Judicial Indigent Defender Board as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, and have issued my report thereon dated May 23, 2007. I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### **Compliance**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the The Thirtieth District Judicial Indigent Defender Board basic financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements of The Thirtieth District Judicial Indigent Defender Board as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006 in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, I considered The Thirtieth District Judicial Indigent Defender Board internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

My consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the proceeding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I noted no deficiencies in internal control that I consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the District's financial statements that is more then inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the District's internal control.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the Board of Commissioners, state awarding agencies and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's office of the State of Louisiana and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statue 24:513, this report is distributed by Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Elliett & Assc. "Afac" Leesville, Louisiana

May 23, 2007

## THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT INDIGENT DEFENDER BOARD SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED December 31, 2006

There were no per diem paid to any of the three thirtieth Judicial District IDB board members for the year ended December 31, 2006.